

ABREVIATED JOINT MESSAGEFORM
and/or CONTINUATION SHEET

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

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| PRIORITY | RELEASED BY | DRAFTED BY | PHONE |
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| INFO | | | |

(a) SS STELLA LYKES with 15 M48 tanks. ETA Salonika 1 May and then Piraeus.
(ETA unknown).

(b) 2 torpedo tubes, on SS SEAJET, if not already delivered. Outloaded
16 March.

(c) 4 M-88 tank recovery vehicles and 111 pickup trucks now at US port.

(d) Torpedo component parts (\$140,000) and 17 torpedo heads, on hand at
Bayonne.

(e) 80 AGM-12 BULLPUP missiles enroute England to Greece on USNS GREENVILLE
VICTORY VOYAGE E1108-67, if not already delivered. ETA Greece was 23 April 1967.

(f) 4 each F-5A aircraft scheduled to depart 2 May 1967 from Palmdale, Calif.
on ferry mission to Greece. Also suspend future aircraft shipments until further
notice.

3. (B) Above vessels enroute should offload at nearest U.S. military installation
items listed sub-para 2(a), (b) and (e), if not already delivered. GP-3

Excerpt from Press Conference of Secretary of Defense McNamara
on return from NATO Defense Ministers Meeting

May 10, 1967

Question: Mr. Secretary, did you have the opportunity to convey to the Greek Defense Minister this nation's feelings about military government of that country?

Secretary McNamara: Well, I told my Greek colleague, the Defense Minister, the former Chief of Staff of the Greek Army, that I hesitated to comment on internal Greek affairs, but that I could tell him the sense of our nation and the sense of our people and that was that we were disheartened by the move away from democracy, from constitutional government in Greece, and we could only hope that they would lay out a pact to return to parliamentary procedures and to support of their constitution.

Question: Did he reassure you at all on that score?

Secretary McNamara: He indicated that his colleagues intended to return to constitutional government and would lay out a program to do so.

Question: Did you tell him that our military relationship would be affected by what happened?

Secretary McNamara: I told him it would be very difficult for us to proceed with our military aid program unless there was an indication that his government did intend to preserve the constitutional guarantees.